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Re: Support for Bill 10, Relating to the use of bags provided to customers

Aloha Chair Ernie Martin and Councilmember:

As a Hawaii resident I use the ocean and the outdoors for recreation. I also see a lot of bags floating around in our environment. I request that you adopt bill 10. Honolulu has a unique opportunity to serve as a model for other states and countries. Its time we take advantage of this and lead others in our protection of the environment.

Plastic bags are negatively affecting the marine mammals and reptiles. Scientists have revealed stomachs full of plastic bags during necroscopies.

I believe few would trade the minor added convenience of plastic shopping bags for the wretched deaths of our marine family. The only benefactor in this bizarre experiment in convenience is the petrochemical companies and trade associations.

Please do the right thing for your island county and most of its marine inhabitants and vote with your conscious. I appreciated your support of this bill, for your support of the community and the environment we live with in Hawaii.

Mahalo Nui Loa,  
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